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MR. YERXA AND MISS STAPLES WED

SPRING A SURPRISE ON FRIENDS

Slip Away to Los Angeles and Start
on Wedding Trip Before News
Leaks Out.

Coming as a delightful surprise to their many friends in Sierra Madre and elsewhere was the marriage of Miss Edna Staples to Mr. Harry Yerxa, which took place Thursday morning, May 18, in Los Angeles. So well had the secret of their plans been guarded that none but the parents and four or five intimate friends knew of the event until the happy couple were well away on their wedding journey. Both joined the commuters as usually yesterday morning for the trip to Los Angeles, Mr. Yerxa in the seven o'clock car and Miss Staples at eight, without arousing suspicion. They met soon afterward in the city and lost no time in securing the services of Rev. Hugh Walker who performed the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Alice M. Staples of Highland avenue and has resided in Sierra Madre since young girlhood. She is exceedingly popular and is regarded as one of the most charming and accomplished young women of the city. Her attractive personality and sweet voice have made her a prominent figure in social and musical circles. She attended the Pasadena high school and has recently been attending a Los Angeles business college. She is a popular member of the Tri-Kappa sorority.

Mr. Yerxa is the younger son of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick R. Yerxa of Villa Pilar ranch, and has resided in Sierra Madre about four years. He was formerly engaged with his brother, Cabot A. Yerxa, in the grocery business in Sierra Madre and now holds a responsible position in the wholesale house of the Hoffman Hardware Company in Los Angeles. He was among the first initiates of the local Masonic lodge. He is a young man of sterling character, and is held in highest regard by friends and business acquaintances.

Mr. and Mrs. Yerxa kept secret as well the plans for their wedding journey which will occupy about a week. Upon their return they will take apartments in Los Angeles for a month, after which they expect to return to Sierra Madre to make their home.

ANNUAL MEETING AND ELECTION

The annual business meeting of the Woman's Club Building Association was held last Friday at the club house. A new board of directors was elected, and the members in turn chose officers as follows: President, Mrs. C. W. Jones; vice-president Miss Lydia Webster; secretary, Mrs. W. S. Andrews; treasurer, Mrs. Cabot Yerxa. The other directors are Mmes. W. J. Lawless, F. P. Birch and Louis Dietz. Affairs of the association were shown by reports of the officers to be in a highly satisfactory condition.

Miss Helen Morrow of Los Angeles is the guest of Mrs. Guy Johnson this week.

EDITORS COMING TOMORROW

Acceptances received up to yesterday indicate a successful and enjoyable outing of the County Press Association at Carter's Camp, beginning tomorrow. At least thirty will be here to enjoy the hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Carter and of the Sierra Madre Board of Trade. Secretary J. E. Randall of the association will probably arrive this afternoon as the advance guard, to be on hand and help receive the rest of the bunch as they arrive. The program includes an auto ride about Sierra Madre and the surrounding country Monday afternoon, followed by a chicken dinner with the Board of Trade as hosts. On Tuesday saddle animals will be supplied gratis by Messrs. Hoegee and Beard for those of the party who wish to take side trips on the trails, furnishing an opportunity to visit Orchard Camp and Hoegee's camp.

WATER METERS ON—NOT YET

It has been reported about town that the water meters would be put into service this week. This would be interesting if true but it is difficult to account for the yarn since there is still a large amount of water running away in the open stream in the Little Santa Anita. The only water for which an "excess" charge is made in addition to the domestic rate is the water pumped from the plant in the wash. There would be no reason for putting the meters into service when there was no prospect of pumping being necessary for some time to come. Nobody knows just how soon that will be, not even Superintendent Biederman, and he knows more about the immediate water situation than anybody else. If the present cool, cloudy weather should continue the water in the canyon stream would probably suffice for some time to come. On the other hand a period of hot, dry weather would reduce the flow in the canyon within a few weeks to a point where pumping would be necessary. In past years it has sometimes been necessary to put the meters into service earlier than should have been the case were it not for the amount of water wasted by a few people. Here's hoping the majority of consumers will not be put to needless expense through the extravagant use of water by a few this season.

ACQUITTED BY PASADENA JURY

S. Wada, the Japanese employment agent, was acquitted Thursday morning of a charge of disturbing the peace, the trial being held in Justice Klamroth's court in Pasadena. Wada was arrested by Marshal Ray upon complaint of the Misses Harriman, who were frightened by his appearing late at night at their home to collect a bill which he claimed they owed him for labor, but which they said they had already paid. Upon their refusal to pay again he refused to leave the place, but continued his demands for money. Naturally they became alarmed and appealed for assistance, Marshal Ray taking Wada to Pasadena for safe keeping over night. The Pasadena jury, who seemed to be Wada's "peers" as guaranteed by the constitution, did not think his actions constituted a breach of the peace.

THROWN FROM MOTORCYCLE

Frank Merrill was the principal performer yesterday in one of the worst spills which has fallen to the lot of a local motorcyclist. He says it was the worst he has had in ten years of experience. While hurrying up Baldwin Avenue on his way home to lunch his front wheel struck "Brownie," the little Fox terror belonging to Harold Weston, which ran out into the street so suddenly as to give no warning and allow no slackening of speed. Merrill and his machine were thrown to the ground with terrific force and both skidded along for 30 or 40 feet, the dog being pushed ahead of the machine. Merrill escaped miraculously with nothing more serious than torn clothing and severe bruises, but the machine was badly bent and twisted. "Brownie" was so badly hurt that it seemed he was nearly killed but rallied under prompt treatment.

CHOIR BOYS ENTERTAINED

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hall Perry entertained the choir boys of Ascension Church and a few adult friends Tuesday evening in honor of their son Hall's eleventh birthday anniversary. The first half of the evening was spent at outdoor games. Later Mr. Wynne Mead delighted the guests with plantation stories, appearing in minstrel garb and black face, to the surprise and enjoyment of all. Delicious refreshments were served, the tables being decorated with pink roses, ribbons and candles, pink also being used in the decorations throughout the house. Eleven boys about the same age were seated at one table, the older people being seated at small tables. The refreshments were followed by music and card games. The young guests present were Masters John, Frank and Joe Inmankane, Franklin Wright, Harold and Curtis Flint, George Whitworth, William and Thomas Schwartz, Harold Pegler, Richard Bravinder, Donald and Cedric Tarr and Jack McEdward. The older guests included Dr. and Mrs. Cornell, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Wright, Mr. and Mrs. Wynne Mead, Mrs. H. G. Flint, Mrs. Goodfellow, Mr. Davis.

WOMAN'S CLUB

Mrs. Frances Richardson will be the speaker before the regular session of the Woman's Club next Monday afternoon. Her address will be on "The Flag." School children are especially invited to attend the meeting and hear this address.

Annual election of officers will take place Monday afternoon. The polls will be open from 1:30 to 3:30 p. m. Nominations were printed in last week's News. Each member is expected to present her membership card when appearing to vote.

Deer have shown unusual boldness for this time of year in the vicinity of Sierra Madre. Several have been seen recently on the Churchill ranch. Mrs. M. D. Wright reports having seen two of the beautiful animals near her home, which is but a short distance from the head of Mountain Trail avenue. Mrs. Philip Carter reports having seen four on Thursday morning, grazing near her home.

OF INTEREST TO SCHOOL PATRONS

RECENT SCHOOL LAW CHANGES

Many Measures of Importance Passed at Last Session of the Legislature.

Radical changes in the school laws of California have been made by bills, just signed at the last possible moment by Governor Johnson. These bills, together with a few signed earlier, change the tenure of office of school trustees, revolutionize the method of apportioning school funds, relax the stringent laws governing vaccination, permit military training in the high schools and in several other ways shake up and rearrange school conditions. The following resume shows the effects of some changes in the school laws made by the late legislature:

Senate Bill 982 changes the time of taking office for school trustees from July 1st to May 1st. This law is already in effect, so that all boards of elementary school trustees who were elected in April and all district (but not other) high school boards, are now in office and fully capable of transacting any business. By some oversight, the old law requiring new boards of trustees to organize and elect a clerk on the first Saturday in July was not changed; so it will be necessary, wherever the old clerk was not re-elected as trustee, for the county superintendent to appoint one of the board as clerk until the formal organization in July.

Another new law (Assembly Bill 1086) empowers trustees to elect teachers for the next ensuing year on and after June 1st. In case the trustees fail to elect a new teacher (or fail to notify an old teacher) between June 1st and June 10th, the old teacher's contract automatically goes into effect for the next year. This law does not take effect until July 1st, so this year trustees may agree with teachers to continue in school and ratify their election on the first Saturday in July.

Institutes for trustees as well as for teachers are now in order. Assembly Bill No. 108 provides that county superintendents of schools may call a trustees' institute, and that the expense may be borne by the unapportioned county school fund. The idea is to unify school methods, and spread the inspiration of new ideas to all the districts of a county.

Another novelty in institutes is provided in Senate Bills Nos. 298-300, which permit county superintendents to abandon the present annual teachers' institute, provided they call, in lieu of it, local teachers' institutes from time to time in various parts of the county. These local institutes need not interrupt school for more than a day, and they have the additional advantage of getting close to the parents, especially in evening sessions.

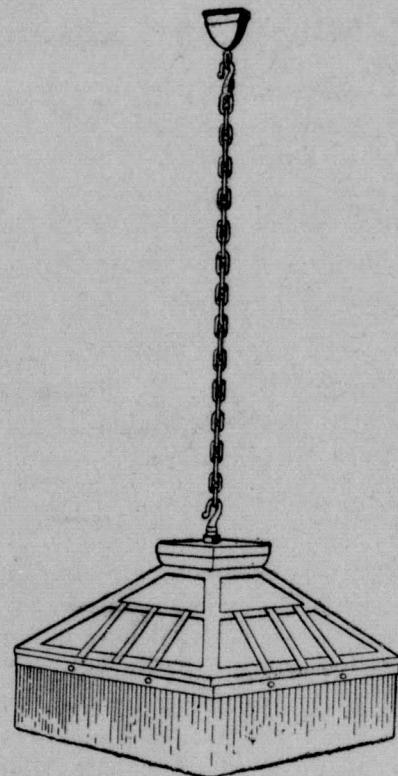
The "Benedict Bills" (Assembly Bills Nos. 367 and 368) completely change the method of apportioning state school funds. They abolish the school census, and base the apportionment of

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PERSONAL MENTION

Several Sierra Madre ladies attended the sessions of the convention of the federated woman's clubs at Long Beach this week. The convention was very largely attended by delegates and other club workers from all over the state, the attendance at the sessions being usually from 400 to 500. Social affairs and various phases of club work took up the time of the convention, one of the most interesting contests arising over the question of endorsing the proposed equal suffrage amendment to the state constitution, which was carried by a five-to-one vote. Among the Sierra Madre ladies in attendance were Mesdames W. S. Andrews, Frank Wright, W. J. Lawless, L. C. Torrance, W. H. Ingraham, Cabot A. Yerxa, B. W. Andrews, M. D. Welsher, J. A. Madden, F. P. Birch, J. R. Allen, J. J. Hart, J. A. Osgood, Miss Jennie Harriman.

Ladies of the Maccabees from Long Beach visited Sierra Madre in a special car Wednesday. They spent the day picnicking in Carter's Camp. The party was in charge of Mrs. Adams, commander of the Hive.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Congregational Church will hold a cooked food sale at the home of Mrs. A. N. Adams, corner of Baldwin Avenue and Dixie Drive, Saturday, May 27.

Mr. George Munger, who lectured before the Woman's club members and guests Wednesday evening in the club house was a guest at the Letteau home.

Miss Martha Moore, of Seattle, who has been visiting at the home of Mrs. H. F. Flint, has left for Pasadena where she will visit friends.

Mrs. Austin of Hotel Shirley gave a theater party Monday evening, those present being Mr. and Mrs. Austin, Mr. and Mrs. Frost.

Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Slayton and Miss Slayton were guests at the home of Mrs. A. E. Bell at Long Beach Friday.

Miss Calista Friend of Riverside, spent part of last week visiting former Iowa friends in Sierra Madre.

Mrs. Henry Caskey of Concord, Cal., is a guest at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Rice.

Mrs. Paul Adams and daughter, Althea, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Adams Sunday.

J. H. Burton of Ocean Park is a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Humphries.

Major Willard of Los Angeles was a guest at the home of Mrs. C. E. Cook this week.

J. W. Smith of Los Angeles has been spending a few days in Sierra Madre this week.

Lawrence Hearne of San Diego was a week end guest of W. P. Caley and family.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Groves have been spending the week in Whittier.

RECENT SCHOOL LAW CHANGES

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funds by the number of teachers and on the average daily attendance, instead of on the number of census children. This will put a big premium on regular attendance and on the enforcement of the compulsory education law. This law, itself, was also changed by Assembly Bill No. 240, which raises the age of compulsory school attendance from 14 to 15 years.

Vaccination of school children is made optional with parents by Senate Bill No. 655.

Small boys will grieve to hear of Assembly Bill No. 1080, which provides that school shall continue in session on all holidays except New Year's, Memorial Day, Fourth of July, Thanksgiving and Christmas, except where the board of trustees declare a special holiday, which the bill empowers them to do.

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CHANTRY IS ACQUITTED

C. E. Chantry was acquitted by a jury in Recorder Perry's court Tuesday afternoon when tried on a charge of violating the ordinance limiting the number of burros which may be kept on a lot in the restricted district. Chantry admitted having had more than the number allowed by law on his premises for eight hours one day, the burros having been hired and waiting for the customers to arrive. The jury did not seem to think the ordinance was clear on what constituted "keeping" the animals on a lot, Chantry contending that inasmuch as he fed his stock only on his land which is situated out of the restricted district he was not violating the law. One difficulty met with by the prosecution was the finding of people among the large number of those who have complained of the burro corrals, who could give any legal evidence in the case.

Brief Items of Interest

Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Welsher spent the week end in Long Beach.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Allen and daughter spent the week end in Long Beach.

Miss Marjorie Rice has been the guest of Los Angeles friends this week.

Holt Gregory has been trying out a new auto which he purchased recently.

Mrs. Anna Jackman is enjoying a visit from her brother, Mr. Van Stone of Toledo, Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Andrews spent the week-end in the Vannier cottage in Long Beach.

Raymond Hedderly, a former resident of Sierra Madre, has been spending the week in the city.

The Modern Priscillas were charmingly entertained yesterday at the home of Miss Daisy Hawks.

Miss Charline Baker is spending a few days at Long Beach as a guest at the home of Mrs. C. H. White.

M. H. Bridle left Tuesday for an extended tour of the East, including Chicago, Philadelphia and New York.

Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Adams were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Carpenter of Pasadena Monday evening.

Mrs. C. H. Betts was the guest of Mrs. W. J. Lawless at the Virginia during the convention of the Woman's clubs in Long Beach.

The Misses Johnson of San Diego have come to Sierra Madre for a prolonged stay and are located in the Hudson cottage on Auburn avenue.

Miss Dorothy Humphries and Miss Dorothy Brown attended the launch party given at Balboa Beach last Saturday by the Gnome Club of Throop Institute.

Mrs. J. A. Meek and daughter, Ethel left Thursday for a visit at their home in Seattle, after spending several months in Sierra Madre. They expect to return soon.

Miss Annie B. Coffey, Mrs. Frank Wright and Mrs. Fairbanks have been appointed to represent the Woman's Club at the session of the Gardena club next Wednesday afternoon.

Dr. and Mrs. G. H. Cornell, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Pegler, Mr. Harvey Furneaux and Mr. C. H. Perry attended the banquet attendant upon the opening of the diocesan convention of the Episcopal church in Los Angeles Wednesday evening.

The Ladies' Aid Society held an enjoyable all day session in the church parlors Tuesday. The time was devoted to making aprons to be sold at the cooked food sale on May 27th. The hostesses were Mrs. H. G. Flint and Mrs. Plowman.

Mrs. E. M. Tufts, Miss Alice Tufts, Mr. and Mrs. M. Groves, Miss Calista Friend of Riverside, Mrs. E. J. Morgridge and W. O. Morgridge, joined a number of Los Angeles friends in a picnic reunion of former residents of Wilton, Iowa, at Eastlake park, Los Angeles, last Saturday.

Little Edith M. Gray is to receive a beautiful gold medal from Charles J. Fox, in recognition of her remarkable athletic ability. The medal was made especially for the purpose and is a handsome piece of workmanship, showing in bold relief a miniature mountain scene, with a tall pine and a bit of trail in the foreground. Besides the name of the recipient the medal bears the record of her remarkable ascent of Mt. Wilson, 1 hour, 52 minutes. The presentation will take place next Saturday at the games at Tournament Park, Pasadena.

Mrs. Eleanor Collins has left for an extended trip through the East.

Mrs. Burwash, of Los Angeles, is spending a few weeks at Cypress court.

Mrs. Amelia Churchill has as her guest her niece, Mrs. Young, of Kansas.

C. H. White has gone to his ranch near Fresno, where he expects to remain.

F. J. Sokol left this week for a visit with relatives at his former home in Onslow, Iowa.

Mr. and Mrs. K. G. Sawday are occupying one of the Robinson cottages on Baldwin avenue.

Prof. J. A. Bryson received the third degree in Masonry at the lodge meeting Tuesday evening.

Mrs. M. P. Grove and daughter, Mrs. J. R. Diehl of Los Angeles were guests of Mrs. F. J. Garey Thursday.

Merton Clark has taken a position as assembler in the factory of the Duro auto factory in Los Angeles.

Miss Regina McDonnell has gone to Seattle after a visit of several months at the home of Mrs. J. A. Madden.

Mr. and Mrs. George E. Coapman and daughter, Irene, spent Sunday at Monrovia as guests of Mrs. Hattie Ross.

Miss Kathryn Slayton, who has been visiting at the home of her brother, J. G. Slayton, leaves today for her home in Fremont, Mich.

Mrs. W. H. Bergman and son have left for Seattle after spending several months in Sierra Madre. Mrs. Bergman may return to this city.

Mrs. Hendricks, of Los Angeles, accompanied by her friend, Mrs. Adair, has been occupying the cottage of her daughter, Mrs. B. H. Kuhn, on Lima street.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Pettis and daughters who have been visiting Mrs. L. E. Lyon left Friday for their home in Chicago, expecting to stop in San Francisco on the way.

Mrs. A. E. Bell and daughters came up from Long Beach to make necessary preparations for their approaching trip to their former home in Winnipeg. They will remain at the beach until June 1.

C. W. Mitchell took Mrs. Mitchell to Long Beach yesterday for a period of recuperation, this being the first time Mrs. Mitchell has been able to leave her home since the Monday following the close of the Flower Festival.

A. S. Mead has been spinning around this week in his biennial new auto. Of course it is a Reo, like its predecessors and has all the latest thingumbobs, including the steering wheel on the off side, which is one of the cases where some people insist the left side is the right.

Mmes. C. H. Betts, A. S. Moore, J. W. Keys and Cabot A. Yerxa visited the Utah Street school in Los Angeles yesterday, taking about 1,200 roses to be distributed among the pupils. The flowers were greatly appreciated by the youngsters who live in one of the most uninviting districts of Los Angeles.

Las Auxiliadores de Sierra Madre will hold a social tea at the homes of Mmes. Ingraham and Johnson on Thursday, May 25, from 3 to 5 and from 8 to 10. Programs have been prepared for both afternoon and evening and refreshments will be served. It is hoped a large crowd will attend, as the proceeds will be devoted to charitable work.

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BY THE WAY

Who said anything about hot summers in Sierra Madre? They are entitled to one more guess before this weather changes.

It has been reported about town that the speed ordinance is to be enforced. Excuse us while we swallow a large sized grain of sodium chloride.

Some people are boosters of the noisiest kind—until they discover their boosting is going to result in a little benefit to some one else, possibly a competitor. Then they suddenly lose interest in the job.

In cities where Sunday mail deliveries have been customary the post-office department is either cutting it out or reducing it to the minimum. Patrons of the Sierra Madre office have, therefore, no grounds for complaint at discrimination on that score.

When a fight was started on the five-cent telephone toll between Sierra Madre and Pasadena the agitation was stopped with a semi-promise of a reduction from 15 cents to 10 cents in the Los Angeles toll. Was that all the suggestion was intended to accomplish? No other result has appeared to date.

Sierra Madre people ought to consider themselves fortunate that they are so far removed from the borders of Los Angeles that the annexation question does not enter as a disturbing factor into every public enterprise. No doubt our turn will come, but in the meantime there are a lot of problems which we can work out more satisfactorily alone and without the added burdens under which Los Angeles property owners are struggling.

Again a humble taxpayer rises to remark that it would be the part of economy for the city to invest in some simple apparatus for repairing the paved streets with hot asphaltum, or at least for heating oil. Many streets have small holes started which will soon be worn to a stage where they cannot be repaired without considerable expense. The city trustees started some time ago to investigate the question of purchasing an outfit but so far have reached no tangible results. Probably the everlasting problem of expense has had to be considered, but it would seem that in view of the ultimate economy to be effected such an outfit might come ahead of a good many other expenses.

There are few things in the world more beautiful than the sympathy which prompts people to do what they can to minister to those in need of aid, material or otherwise. Like-

wise there are few things more despicable than the pretense of sympathy used as a means of prying into the affairs of others. "Just think of all I've done for her and, would you believe it, she hasn't told me yet what it is that's troubling her," remarked a woman not long ago concerning an acquaintance. Charity which puts the recipient under the obligation of revealing unwilling confidences is no charity at all. Whittier wrote: "He prayeth best who leaves unguessed The mystery of another's breast. Why cheeks grow pale, why eyes o'erflow, Or heads are white, thou needst not know. Enough to note by many a sign That every heart hath needs like thine."

STARTLING FACTS

South Pasadena Record: Those who dispute the statement that the reason why Los Angeles wants South Pasadena to be swallowed up by her is because the Angel City has nearly reached the limit of her bonding limit and wants more valuation and more taxes to pay for past and future indebtedness are invited to follow the editor through the following results of a trip to the city hall of the city of Los Angeles.

First truth—After passing the present issue of school bonds, in the sum of \$1,700,000, Los Angeles will have reached within \$3,296,000 of her bonding limit.

Second truth—if Los Angeles passes these school bonds, she will be unable to issue bonds desired in the sum of \$4,000,000, because she would then overstep her legal bonding limit \$700,000.

Third truth—in addition to the above vitally necessary bond issues, Los Angeles is hopelessly looking to the necessity of passing bonds for the construction of a new outfall sewer, for the present one is both overtaxed and faulty in construction. Los Angeles must get more assessed valuation to complete these city needs.

The total assessed valuation of the city of Los Angeles is \$332,000,000. From this must be subtracted the amount of corporation valuation, \$60,000,000, as the passage of the now famous Amendment No. 1, excuses corporations from taxation for these purposes. This leaves \$272,000,000 as the actual assessed valuation for taxable purposes.

The bonding limit of Los Angeles is fifteen per cent of her valuation that is available for taxation, or \$40,000,000.

Now the bonds outstanding against the city of Los Angeles, according to the figures of the tax collector in that city, amount to \$35,804,000. Bonds in the sum of \$4,996,00 may be passed before Los Angeles reaches her bond limit. But the power and the school bonds will more than absorb this sum.

By giving a box social, remarks the Wilmington Journal, the people of Gardena have succeeded in raising forty-four dollars and sixty cents, which sum is to be used in making improvements to their fire department. Gardena, it will be remembered, consolidated with Los Angeles about four years ago, and with ripened experience her citizens are going after civic improvements in the right manner. Some of these days Wilmington, San Pedro and Hollywood will be doing the box social stunt and consolidation will then not seem such a miserable failure as the broken pledges of the administration have led them to believe.

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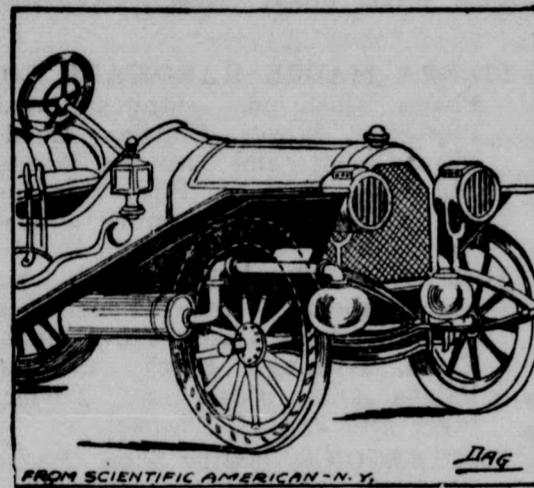
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NOVEL SHOCK ABSORBER.**Pneumatic Cushion Substitute For Automobile Spring.**

There has recently been invented by a California mining engineer a novel substitute for springs and shock absorbers on automobiles. This is a pneumatic cushion which appears to have advantages because it permits the use of solid tires.

The inventor of this new device has found it possible not only to construct a pneumatic shock absorber, but so to arrange this that it takes the place of the spring itself, while at the same time preventing any rebound. In its present state this pneumatic cushion consists simply of a round rubber bulb six or eight inches in diameter, having an open neck at its upper end and a small projection at its lower. This projection fits into a hole in a conical wood block that is secured to the axle of the automobile, while the neck of the bulb is set into a pipe fitting attached to the body of the machine.



CUSHION AND SHOCK ABSORBER.

This pipe, of about one and a half inches diameter, connects to a tank having a capacity of 2,000 cubic inches. Four such bulbs replace the springs of an automobile. In fitting

them to a car the leaves of the springs are removed with the exception of the outer heavy leaf, which is used for steadyng purposes. All four tubes are connected by separate pipes to the tank.

The action of the bulb is as follows: When a wheel of the car passes over an obstruction the bottom of the bulb resting upon the cone shaped block is pushed inward, and the surface of contact of the bulb with the block is increased. The heavier the blow the more the block sinks in; consequently there is a continuously increasing supporting area within the bulb upon which the air acts, the air being under a compression of about twenty pounds to the square inch in the bulb, the pipe line and the tank. As a result of the increasing flattened area in the bottom of the bulb under a heavy shock there is a cushioning effect that increases with the blow, and when the initial shock has been absorbed there is no rebound, since the air in the bulb, piping and tank has not been appreciably compressed.

FUEL SAVING DEVICE.**Perfect Combustion Attained by Australian Smoke Consumer.**

A practical demonstration has been made in this city of an apparatus for the consumption of smoke and the economizing of fuel, reports Consul General Bray of Sydney, New South Wales.

The appliance consists of a patent firebox door cast in the form of a deep box, with a sliding grid in front by which the admission of air is regulated. The deep furnace becomes a hot air chamber in which the air is rarefied, after which it passes through a series of breakers, formed in the shape of T irons, placed so as to give a proper distribution of air over the furnace fire from the front. The back

air box is placed at the end of the fire bar area and is built in so as to admit of the air being distributed over the fire from the back, and by this method of admitting and regulating the air a perfect combustion can be obtained, thereby bringing about a great saving of fuel. As a result the gases are consumed and the smoke discharged from the smokestack is reduced to an absolute minimum.

The demonstration showed that the smoke from the furnace, which was charged with a full load of slack coal, was cut off within half a minute after closing the doors. According to a recent test, the saving in coal amounted to a little over 25 per cent, while the water evaporated per pound of coal was increased by over 40 per cent.

REMEDY FOR DAMP WALLS.**Alternate Coats of Soap and Alum Are Impervious to Water.**

If a wall is suspected of dampness a piece of gelatin held close to it will tell the story at once. If the wall is dry the gelatin will not change; if damp the gelatin will turn or curl more or less, according to the degree of dampness; if the wall is very damp it will need no testing.

One good remedy for a wall not very damp is a mixture of one pound of good glue dissolved in one gallon of water into which, while hot, has been stirred some dry red lead until the mass is of the consistency of ordinary paint.

The surest and best remedy, according to the Master Painter, is the Sylvester process, as follows: Cut up three-quarters of a pound of castile soap into one gallon of water and dissolve. Now dissolve half a pound of pulverized alum in four gallons of water. With a brush for each solution, using a wide brush, apply a coating of the soap solution, rubbing it

well into the wall. Let it dry until next day, then apply a coat of alum water. Let this dry until next day, then repeat with the alum and soap once, as before. Thus the wall will receive two coats of soap and two of alum, which will form a chemical compound impervious to water. Very damp walls treated with this simple coating will give no trouble under paper for years.

To Prevent Ships Rolling.

Those who suffer from seasickness will be pleased to hear that a German engineer has invented a "pitching tank" which, tried on two Atlantic liners, has proved very effectual in reducing the rolling of the ships. The Berlin Lokalanzeiger states that at the congress of shipbuilding engineers the emperor congratulated Herr Frahm, the inventor of the "pitching tank," and expressed the hope that the system would soon be introduced on board all vessels. Herr Frahm read a paper demonstrating upon a model the effects of the invention, which consists of U shaped tanks extending from port to starboard through the hold. The water in them rises and falls as the ship rolls, so as to neutralize the rhythmical movement of the latter.

Invisible Eyeglasses.

A recent instance of American ingenuity is afforded by the device of an optician for the relief of actors and actresses afflicted with defective eyesight. Glasses fitted with tiny lenses are now made for the use of the actor so afflicted who, in deference to the character he is enacting, may not wear the regulation eyeglasses or spectacles. These special glasses fit close to the eyeball and are scarcely discernible from the front of the house. The nose-piece or bridge connecting the lenses is covered with flesh colored material, which adds to the illusion.

MONDAY

Remember that next Monday will be
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Be at the store of the SIERRA MADRE ELECTRIC CO., 6 North Baldwin Avenue, at 9 a. m., or you may be too late to get one of the few percolators consigned to Sierra Madre

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DELINQUENT SALE NOTICE

The Sierra Madre Mining and Milling Company, a corporation. Principal place of business, Sierra Madre, California. Location of property, Haiwee, Inyo County, California.

NOTICE:—There is delinquent upon the following described stock on account of assessment No. 2, levied upon the 11th day of March, 1911, the several amounts set opposite the names of the respective shareholders as follows:

Name.	Certi- cate.	No.	Shares.	Amount
Carter, Philip G...	90	6000	\$ 30.00	
Carter, Philip G...	189	7500	37.50	
Cohn, David	97	2000	10.00	
Cohn, David	117	1000	5.00	
Cohn, David	155	660	3.30	
Cohn, David	174	660	3.30	
Faber, Margaret ..	75	1000	5.00	
Gordan, A. L.	54	1000	5.00	
Gabriel, M. J.	139	400	2.00	
Gabriel, M. J.	203	1600	8.00	
Hames, J. C.	1	1000	5.00	
Hames, J. C.	200	24000	120.00	
Hames, J. C.	244	4000	20.00	
Hames, Mrs. J. C.	236	1000	5.00	
Hames, Mrs. J. C.	237	1000	5.00	
Hames, Mrs. J. C.	238	1000	5.00	
Hames, Mrs. J. C.	239	2000	10.00	
Hames, Ethel	240	1000	5.00	
Hames, Ethel	241	1000	5.00	
Hames, Ethel	242	1000	5.00	
Madden, J. A.	112	40000	200.00	
Madden, J. A.	211	4875	24.38	
Madden, Jennie G.	19	250	1.25	
Madden, Jennie G.	111	10000	50.00	
Morgan, G. E.	80	1000	5.00	
MacCandlish, C. A.	104	1000	5.00	
Turbett, John	94	1000	5.00	

And in accordance with the law and order of the Board of Directors made on the 11th day of March, 1911, so many shares of each parcel of stock as may be necessary, will be sold at No. 367 Central avenue, Clark & Graham Bldg., Sierra Madre, California, on the 29th day of April, 1911, at 3 o'clock P. M. of such day, to pay the delinquent assessments thereon, together with the costs of advertising and expense of sale.

By order of the Board of Directors at a meeting held on the 10th day of April, 1911, an extension of 14 days was granted on assessment No. 2, and date of sale set for May 15th, 1911.

Notice is hereby given that the sale of the above delinquent stock has been postponed to May 22nd, at the same hour and place.

By order of the Board of Directors, THE SIERRA MADRE MINING AND MILLING COMPANY, J. H. Thorndyke, Secretary.

Notice is hereby given that at a meeting of the Board of Directors held on the 15th day of May, 1911, a further extension of 14 days has been granted on the above delinquent stock and date of sale set for June 5th, 1911, at the same hour and place.

By order of the Board of Directors, The Sierra Madre Mining and Milling Company, J. H. Thorndyke, Secretary.



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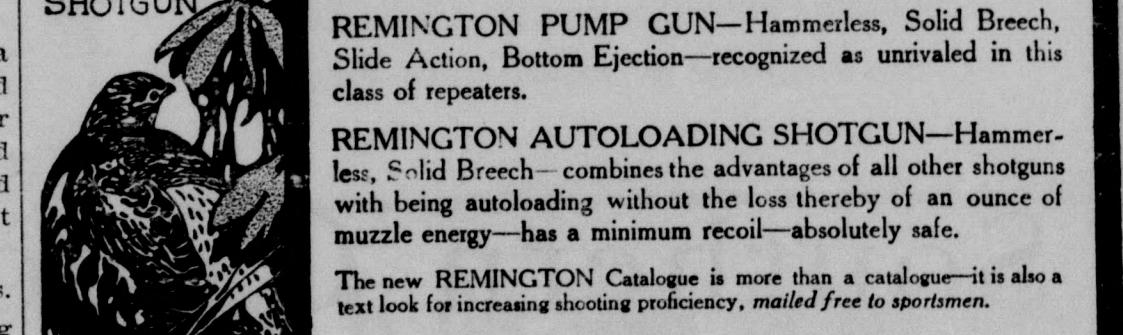
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